North of Fifty-Three

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CHAPTER XIV-Continued.

"If money meant that we would be compelled to lead the sort of existtorted, "I'd take measures to be broke as soon as possible." "You're awful!" Hazel commented.

Bill sported again.

Tomorrow, you advise our hostess that we're traveling," he instructed. businesslike, How-when-where?" When we come back we'll make headquarters at a hotel until we locate a plied. "You see," he continued, warmwant to winter here."

Her mind was quite made up to spend the winter there, and she frankchoice. They had to winter some-

"Oh, yes, I suppose so. All right; we'll winter here," Bill nequiesced. "That's settled."

And, as was his habit when he had come to a similar conclusion, he refused to talk further on that subject, but fell to speculating idly on New York. In which he was presently aided and abetted by Hazel, who had matter, any of the big Atlantic cities.

New York, she was constrained to ndmit, rather overwhelmed her. She the lede is being developed. Getting traversed Broadway and other worldknown arteries, and felt a trifle dubious amid the unceasing crush. Bill equally famous theaters. She made can't sell stock in a business that has from him. sundry purchases in magnificent shops. no real foundation-yet. Don't you The huge conglomeration of sights have to locate those claims first?" and sounds made an unforgettable im-

five rooms in an up-to-date apartment the claims are concerned. I've got "I don't know exactly," he replied. own, at her own disposal or Bill's, as "You won't have to go?" she put in all summer and oversee the work, will she elected.

But by imperceptible degrees they fairs where a man was superfluous. just the same." There were others which Bill flatly re- "B-r-r-r!" she shivered involuntarfused to attend. "Hen parties," he tiy, "Four hundred tailes across that dubbed them. More and more he re- deep snow, through that steady, fleshmained at home with his books.

Sometimes Hazel caught herself journey." have gotten, as they had planned to her fingers. bacco fumes, and who would cheer- ness and business practice." fully sit up all night discoursing ear-But so long as Bill found Granville habitable she did not mind.

him in touch with civilization. He had the cupital, she considered, and there was no question of his ability. Her faith in his power to encompass whatever he set about was strong. Other men, less gifted, had acquired wealth. power, even a measure of fame, from less auspicious beginning. Why not

But she could never quite bring herself to put it in so many words to Bill. The cycle of weeks brought them to January. They had dropped into something of a routine in their daily lives.



"What's All the Clerical Work About?"

Bill's interest and participation in social affairs became negligible. When was not absorbed in a book or from Station Six. downtown haunt, having acquired membership in a club as a concession to their manner of life. Once he came home with flushed face and overbright radiating an odor of whisky, Hazel had never seen him drink to ex-She was correspondingly shocked, and took no pains to hide her feelings. But Bill was blandly undis-

"You don't need to look so horrifled," he drawled. "I'm going straight to bed, little person. Scold not, nor fret. William will be himself again ere yet the morrow's sun shall clear the horizon. Let us avoid recriming-

A veek or so later be became suddealy and unexpectedly active. He to luncheon-a circumstance stories have been and will be written which irritated Hazel, since it was one about them !- are now playing a new of those rare days when she herself trick on unsuspecting Americans and funched at home. Late in the after- even French people, especially women. noon he telephoned briefly that he There are several popular restaurants would dine downtown. And when he on the Avenue Trudale, which is only did return, at nine or thereabouts in reached from the boulevards by climbthe evening, he clamped a cigar be- ing the hill in the Rue des Martyrs. It tween his teeth, and fell to work cov- takes time and gasoline to mount that ering a sheet of paper with intermin- grade; that is why many taxis stop af-

"What is all the clerical work about?" she inquired. "Reckoning start-then climbs down, lifts the bonyour assets and liabilities?" net of the engine, pokes around, makes Bill smiled and pushed aside the another effort to start, throws up his into its own. Not that it has not hands and exclaims: "It's broken had a certain popularity for religious

"I'm going to promote a mining com-puny," he told her, quite casually. "It His fare, usually a woman, gets out, aside from the purchase of papers

sure have the Willies,"

ence most of these people do," he rethe time. But his first statement the last they heard from him. He offending flesh had fallen away on the a shame. We could make the Free she had sincerely hoped would come respondent. to pass, and she was all interest.

place of our own-if you are sure you ing up a bit to the subject, "when I was prospecting that creek where we snows of winter successively gave way made the clean-up last summer, I to muddy streets and then to clean ran across a well-defined quartz lend. Davements in the city of Granville, a ly said so-provided he had no other I packed out a few samples in my new gilt sign was lettered across the pockets, and I happened to show them as well as one or two of the nuggets to some of these fellows at the club a while back. Lorimer took a piece of the quartz and had it assayed. It looms up as something pretty big. So he and Brooks and a couple of other fellows want me to go ahead and organize and locate a group of claims in there. Twenty or thirty never invaded Manhattan, nor, for that thousand dollars capital might make 'em all rich. Of course, the placer

"But"-her knowledge of business

end of it will be the big thing while

"Wise old head; you have the iden, you. It's a stiff trip." pression upon her. She sensed keenly all right." He smiled. "But this is "I'm sorry I can't feel any enthusifortably in a domicile of their own- stock that's issued. And so far as expect to be in there?" Thus she was relieved of the onus of men besides himself all ready to hit started on a decent scale." housework. Her time was wholly her the trail as soon as I give the word."

quickly. "No," he murmured, "It isn't necescame to take diverse roads in the swirl sary, at this particular stage of the of life which had caught them up game. But I wouldn't mind popping There were so many little woman af- a whip over a good string of dogs.

wondering if they were getting as She came over and stood by him, to look after?" much out of the holiday as they should playfully rumpling his brown hair with "Lorimer and

get when they were struggling through "I'm glad you've found something importance of that sign they've got nable winter. She was to loose that pent-up energy of yours smeared across the windows down-But not Bill. If she ventured to give on, Billy-boy," she said. "You'll make town," he observed curtly. "The chief a tes, he fled the house as if from the a success of it, I know. I don't see labor of the office they've set up will plague. He made acqualatances of his why you shouldn't make a success of be to divide the proceeds. The work wn, men from God only knew where, any kind of business. But I didn't will be done and the money made in ndividuals who occasionally filled the think you'd ever tackle business. You the Klappan Range. You sabe that, dainty apartment with malodorous to- have such peculiar views about busi- don't you?" "I despise the ordinary business

nestly on any subject under the sun. ethic," he returned sharply. "But I think, on the whole, it'll be just as can exploit the resources of nature. well if you don't go. Stay here and And that is my plan. If we make enjoy yourself. I'll transfer some She wished fervently that Bill would money it won't be filched by a com- more money to your account. I think take up some business that would keep plex process from the other fellow's I'll drop down to the club." pockets; it won't be wealth created by She followed him out into the hall, shearing lambs in the market, by sweatshop labor, or adulterated food, had an impulse to throw her arms or exorbitant rental of fifthy dealing around his neck and declare, in all with. I'm not overly anxious to get sincerity, that she would go to the into it with them. But it promises Klappan or to the north pole or any action of some sort-and I have to place on earth with him, if he wanted do something till spring."

> wings for the North. There would be no more staying him than the flight of the wild goose to the reedy nesting grounds could be stayed. Well, a summer in the North would not be so bad, she reflected. But she hated to think of the isolation. , It grieved her to contemplate exchanging her beautifully furnished apartment for a log cabin

Still she had hopes. If he plunged nto business associations with Jimmie Brooks and Paul Lorimer and others of that group, there was no telling what might happen. His interests might become permanently identified with Granville.

Bill informed her from time to time as to the progress of his venture. The mpany was duly incorporated, with in authorized capital of one hundred ousand dollars, five thousand dollars' on a cash basis-the remaining seventy-five thousand lying in the comcany treasury, to be held or sold for levelopment purposes as the five saw fit when work began to show what the claims were capable of producing. In early March came a telegram from Whitey Lewis saving that he had staked the claims, both placer and ode; that he was bound out by the Telegraph Trail to file at Hazelton. Bill showed her the message-wired

"I wish I could have been in on itthat was some trip," he said-and there was a trace of discontent in his "I don't fancy somebody else pawing my chestnuts out of the coals for me. It was sure a man's job to cross the Klappan in the dead of win-

ple work in the way of getting out "My, it's good to see you again."

Play on Sympathies of Unsuspect-

ing American Women.

The driver makes frantic efforts to

ter starting the ascent.

repeated. "That sounds extremely at a standstill until the spring floods resourcefully along rude ways. She real regret. should peel off the winter blanket of thrilled at the touch of his hand, was "Now-here in Granville," he re- the North.

Ultimately, spring overspread the eastern provinces. And when the windows of the brokerage office in which Paul Lorimer was housed.

FREE GOLD MINING COMPANY
H. Lerimer, P. J. L. Brooks, Sec.-Treas.
William Wagstaff, Manager.

So it ran. Bill was commissioned in the army of business at last.

CHAPTER XV.

A Business Journey. "I have to go to the Klappan," Bill apprised his wife one evening. "Want to come along?"

Hazel hesitated. Her first instinctive feeling was one of reluctance to retrace the nerve-trying trail. But a chance to make a fat little stake at piloted her to famous cafes, and to methods suggested a difficulty-"you neither did she wish to be separated "I see you don't," he observed dry-

ly. "Well, I can't say that I blame

the colossal magnitude of it all. But not a stock-jobbing proposition. I asm for such a journey," she remarked she felt a distinct wave of relief when wouldn't be in on it if it were, believe candidly. "I could go as far as the they were Granville bound once more. me. It's to be a corporation, where coast with you, and meet you there In a week they were settled com- not to exceed six men will own all the when you come out. How long do you

And since the social demands Whitey Lewis located in Fort George, "I'm not going in from the coast, on Mrs. William Wagstaff's time grew and I've been burning the wires and though. I'm taking the Ashcroft-Fort space, a capable maid and a cook were spending a bundle of real money get. George Trail. I have to take in a pack added to the Wagstaff establishment. ting him grub-staked. He has got four train and more men and get work "But you won't have to stay there

> you?" she inquired anxiously. "I should," he said, For a second or two he drummed

on the table top. "But is there any real necessity for you to stay on the ground?" She pursued her own line of thought. should think an undertaking of this size would justify hiring an expert to searing cold. I don't envy them the take charge of the actual mining operations. Won't you have this end of it

"Lorimer and Brooks are eminently

"I'm not stupid," she pouted. "I'm going tomorrow," he said. "1

and, as he wriggled into his coat, she her. But by some peculiar feminine In the spring! That brief phrase reasoning she reflected in the same in-

wives of her circle. mor and no parting emotion of any particular keenness. And if he were a trifle sober he showed no sign of resentment, nor uttered any futile wishes that she could accompany him. "So long," he said from the car teps. "I'll keep in touch-all I can."

Then he was gone.

Somehow, his absence made less dif-She had secretly expected to be very see a good thing go wrong." lonely at first. And she was not. Even dated at a point five hundred or a be glad to." thousand miles or double that distance treasure. Bill had forwarded the first lously undercapitalized.

mournfully, "My whole evening's work

will be wasted by the time this car's

pulled back to the garage. I won't

As like as not, the sympathy of his

passenger is aroused, and she gives

him a good tip in addition to the fare

indicated by the taximeter-and then

Patient Little Penny.

The patient little penny is coming

make any money tonight!"

Have Developed Ingenious Trick to in kind. He is sad, and shakes his head

So in Granville the affairs of the aleriness, that perfect co-ordination of on Easy street." "Promote a mining company?" she Free Gold Mining company remained mind and body that is bred of faring He spread his hands in a gesture of

> of his physical nearness. country, and their prospects at the withdraw his opposition."

"It's going to be a mighty big thing," he declared.

"I'm so glad," said Hazel. Whitey Lewis and the original stakers | whatever?" 'und Gretchen, der cow.' I offered him the mine, but he didn't want to leave the ranch. Great old feller, Jake. something of a philosopher in his way. Pretty wise old head. He'l make

In the morning, Bill ate as breakast and started downtown. "That's the dickens of being a busi-

good, all right."

ness man," he complained to Hazel. in the hallway. "It rides a man, once it gets hold of him. Adios, little person. I'll get out for lunch, business or no business Eleven-thirty brought him home, preoccupied and frowning. And he

carried his frown and his preoccupation to the table. "Whatever is the matter, Bill?" Ha zel anxiously inquired. "Oh, I've got a nasty hunch that

there's a nigger in the woodpile," he replied. And that was all he vouchsafed. He finished his luncheon and left the house. He was scarcely out of sight when Jimmie Brooks' runabout drew up at the curb. A half minute later he was ushered into the living room.

"Bill in?" was his first query. ago," Hazel told him. Mr. Brooks, a short, heavy-set, neat-

capable of upholding the dignity and by dressed gentleman, whose rather wildcat on the market. We've got the out of the place with his counterfeit them in his white, well-kept fingers, "Thought I'd catch him.

"By the way," he continued, after have reason to believe that you have a good deal of influence with your husband in business matters, Mrs. Wag-

"Well, I don't know; perhaps I have. Why?" "Well-ah-you see," he began rather lamely. "The fact is-I hope you'll regard this as strictly confidential, Mrs. of us. A big thing. I assure you." Wagstaff. I wouldn't want Bill to think I, or any of us, was trying to

bring pressure on him. But the fact ONLY SECURITY FOR A WIFE is, Bill's got a mistaken impression about the way we're conducting the financial end of this mining proposiset Hazel to sober thinking. With stant that if Bill were away from her tion. You understand? Very able April or May Bill would spread his in a few weeks he would be all the man, your husband, but headstrong as more glad to get back. That closed the deuce. I'm afraid-to speak frankher mouth. It was not wise to be too ly-he'll create a lot of unpleasantmeek or obedient where a husband ness. Might disrupt the company, in dren furnished the only financial sewas concerned. That was another mite fact, if he sticks to the position he curity for a wife. A man might sepaof wisdom she had garnered from the took this morning. Thought I'd run in rate from a wife at will and marry and talk it over with him. Fellow's another but if she had borne him chil-So she kissed Bill good-by at the generally in a good humor, you know, dren he must "give back to that womstation next day with perfect good hu- when he's lunched comfortably at an her dowry, the usufruct of the field,

fessed. "Bill seemed a trifle put out was entitled to a share equal to that about something. He didn't say what of a son of all that has been given to it was about."

"Shall I explain?" Mr. Brooks sug- of her choice." gested. "You'd understand-and you Under the primitive laws of the Kamight be able to help. I don't as a rule | firs of South Africa a similar provision believe in bringing business into the is made, according to a writer. A con- an advertisement appeared in the Bosference than Hazel had anticipated. home, but this bothers me. I hate to siderable payment is made by the hus-

when in her hand she held a telegram | promptly replied. "If I can help, I'll | theory this amount is the property of | railroad and the New York Boat com-

away she did not experience the feel- his glasses industriously for a second benefit. Here, too, a man may divorce times weekly. He will accompany the ing of complete bodily absence. She and replaced them with painstaking his wife at will and may demand back car himself, take care of all small always felt as if he were near. Only exactitude. "Now-ah-this is the sit- his dowry if there have been no chil- packages that may be intrusted to his at night, when there was no long arm untion: When the company was dren born of the marriage, but his care and see them safely delivered." to pillow her head, no good-night kiss formed, five of us, including your hus- claim upon it passes upon the birth of Today Harnden might be prosecuted as she dozed into siumber, she missed band, took up enough stock to finance children. Obviously, where the status for publishing a misleading advertisehim, realized that he was far away. the preliminary work of the undertak- of the wife is entirely subject to the Early in June came a brief wire ing. The remaining stock, seventy-five will of the husband and where the tirely imaginary, and he carried parfrom Station Six. Three weeks later | thousand dollars in amount, was left | woman has an enforcible claim against | cels in a valise. Harnden had long the Free Gold Mining company set in the treasury, to be held or put on this property while it remains in the up a mild ripple of excitement along the market as the situation warranted. hands of her relatives, the birth of his former associates permitted him Broad street by exhibiting in their With the first clean-up, Bill forward-children furnishes the only assurance to travel without charge. The railoffice window a forty-pound heap of ed facts and figures to show that we of security and independence for the road got nothing in the way of express coarse gold; raw, yellow gold, just as had a property far beyond our great- wife. it had come from the sluice. Every est expectations. And, of course, we day knots of men stood gazing at the saw at once that the thing was ridicu-

And close on the heels of this-ten | ized the secretary to sell stock. Nat- 2,000 miles westward of the coast of days later, to be exact—he came home. urally, your husband wasn't cognizant | Chile, its nearest neighbor being Pit-"You great bear," Hazel laughed, in of this move, for the simple reason cairn island, 1,400 miles further west. The filing completed, there was am- the shelter of his encircling arms. that there was no way of reaching It is small, only 45 square miles in him-and his interests were thorough- area, and volcanic, the surface being and whipsawing timber to keep the | She pushed herself back a little and ly protected, anyway. The stock was formed of lava of comparatively re-

-until packages are reduced at least-

will enjoy something of its ancient

First Use of Oars.

pendently of the wind first led to the

The Great Grievance.

an aviator has over a chauffeur."

"What is that?"

walks up hill. When she is out of use of oars. The discovery of land ve-

sight the chauffeur lifts the hood hicles and the means of propul-

again, twists a valve and the engine sion of land vehicles soon led to at-

starts with a bang. He hops to his tempts to utilize it on behalf of ves-

seat and rattles back to the boule- sels. It is claimed that the first at-

vards, hoping to find another easy tempt at this propulsion was made

The idea of propelling ships inde-

glory.-Richmond Times-Dispatch,

listed on Change. A good bit was disposed of privately. We now have a large fund in the treasury. It's a cinch. We've got the property, and It's rich enough to pay dividends on a million. The decision of the stocknolders is unanimously for enlargenent of the capital stock. You understand? You follow me?"

what is the difficulty, Bill?" "Bill is opposed to the whole plan," he said, pursing up his lips with evident disapproval of Bill Wagstaff and all his works "He seems to feel that we should not have taken this step. He declares that no more stock must where I have to do something, or I'll | live men busy till spring-the five who | surveyed him admiringly, with a grati- be sold; that there must be no enlargewere on the ground. Lewis sent word fied sense of proprietorship. The ment of capital. In fact, that we She overlooked the latter statement; that thirty feet of snow lay in the cheeks of him were tanned to a healthy must peg along in the little one-horse conveyed no special significance at gold-bearing branch. And that was brown, his eyes clear and shining. The way we started. And that would be opened up possibilities such as of late was a performer, Bill said, not a cor- strenuous paths of the Klappan. He Gold Mining company the biggest radiated boundless vitality, strength, thing on the map, and put ourselves

"Bill's a fine fellow," he said, "and content to lay her head on his shoul- one of my best friends. But he's a der and forget everything in the joy hard man to do business with. He takes a very peculiar view of the mat-They elected to spend the evening ter. I'm afraid he'll queer the comquietly at home, as they used to do. pany if he stirs up trouble over this. To Hazel it seemed quite like old That's why I hope you'll use whatever times. Bill told her of the Klappan influence you have, to induce him to

"But," Hazel murmured, in some perplexity, "from what little I know of corporations, I don't see how he can set up any difficulty. How can he stop "We've got a group of ten claims. you from taking any line of action

hold an interest in their claims. I, "Oh, not that at all," Brooks hastily acting as agent for these other fel- assured. "Of course, we can outvote lows in the company, staked five more. him, and put it through. But we want took in eight more men-and, be- him with us, don't you see? We've a lieve me, things were humming when high opinion of his ability. He's the I left. And, say, I went in by the sort of man who gets results; prac- is closed, I am going to destroy it." He ranch. Old Jake has a fine garden. tical, you know; knows mining to a T. He's still pegging away with the mule | Only he shies at our financial method.



"Very Able Man, Your Husband, But Headstrong as the Deuce."

And if he began any foolish litigation, and that was to make the customer or silly rumors got started about believe the pearl had been destroyed. "No, he left just a few minutes trouble among the company officers, it's He resorted to this ruse and did not bound to hurt the stock. It's all right, destroy the pawned pearl but a substi-I assure you. We're not foisting a tute. A surprised American walked weak blue eyes loomed prefernaturally goods. Bill admits that. It's the regular and protuberant behind pince, ular method, not only legitimate, but nez that straddled an insignificant snub good finance. Every dollar's worth of nose, took off his glasses and twiddled stock sold has the value behind it. Distributes the risk a little more, that's "Ah, too bad!" he murmured, all, and gives the company a fund to

"If Bill mentions it, you might sugr pause, "you-ah-well, frankly, I gest that he look into the matter a little more fully before he takes any ing. "I must get down to the office. New York Herald. It's his own interests I'm thinking of. (TO BE CONTINUED.)

Birth of Children Guaranteed Independence to the Woman Under the

Code of Hammurabi.

In Babylon, under the code of Hammurabi, 2270 B. C., the birth of chilgarden and property, during the minor-"I'm quite in the dark," Hazel con- ity of her children and thereafter she her children. She may marry the man

band to the male relatives of the wom- that "William F. Harnden has made "Explain, by all means," Hazel an at the time of marriage. In legal arrangements with the Providence the woman and her children, the rela- pany to run a car through from Bos-"Thank you." Mr. Brooks polished tives receiving it as trustees for her ton to New York and vice versa four

An Isolated Island.

The last and most isolated of the "So we held a meeting and author- Polynesians is Easter island. It lies cent eruption. Hence the strange lack of vegetation so curiously at vari-Paris Chauffeurs Are Schemers great demand of late years. The ance with a tropical climate. Grass grows on it, however, and it is for that church so often, but it was exclusive reason largely given up to the raising and preferred to keep its own company. Now it cannot accomplish much of sheep and cattle. without the aid of the brownie, which

Easter island was discovered nearly wo hundred years ago by the Dutch Admiral Roggeveen, who cast anchor there on an Easter Sunday, whence it derived its name. He found it more argely populated than it is now, But e and his crew must have seen and marveled at its bold rock-scuipture, its erraces and walls, its picture writ-Many of these, indeed, rival the world-famous relics of Mexico and Peru, while they are strangely akin to them in conception and design.

Thieves Bury Auto.

by Blasco de Garay, at Barcelona, in Somewhat out of the ordinary in making away with stolen cars was the method of Springfield Mass thioves who buried a car in a lonely wooded "There is one big advantage which spot not far from the state line. Boys passing discovered what appeared to be a newly made grave and notified "The aviator can speed anywhere the police, who when they dug a short has been put up to me as a business often angry and indignant, but the and matches and to put into weighthe wants to without any pedestrian's time, uncovered a windshield. The car bare chauffeur has lost his ability to reply ing machines, it has not been in having the right of way."

DOUBLE FLIM FLAM

Clever Trick by Which Jeweler Recovered Money.

"Certainly," Hazel answered. "But Had Been Victimized in Really Neat Manner, But All the Honors of War Were His When the Game Ended.

> This is a story picked up in New York that has all the elements-save the love of touch-of a modern mystery story. M. Parrish Watson is a wealthy collector of Chinese art. He sends emissaries all over China digging up treasures. One of his agents has just returned.

In Peking he was in the shop of a pawnbroker. A silk-hatted American, polished man of the world, came in, o secure a loan on a pearl which he took out of a velvet bag. The broker applied the tests and was satisfied the pearl was genuine. He advanced \$10,-300. Later in the day one of his experts rushed to him breathlessly with the startling statement that the pearl was the most clever counterfeit he had ever seen. The broker made another examination and found be had been the victim of a flim flam artist.

Several days afterward he called every jeweler in Peking into a conference. He told them of his experience and he said he was simply going to take his loss, but he thought it was his duty to warn his fellow merchants. He held up the pearl before them. "Here it is " he said "To show you what I think of it and that the incident placed the pearl on an iron and with

a hammer smashed it to they fragients with one blow. The next day all the Peking newspapers carried a story about the way the merchant had been tricked and how he had destroyed the bogus gem. Several weeks went by and the inci-

dent was almost forgotten. One morning the American who had pawned the pearl entered the shop. A clerk recognized him and went toward | the valuable works which he was purhim. "I have come for my pearl," he said.

begged the customer to wait a few andminutes and he rushed off to his employer with the news. The broker came out of his private office and met the "I have come for my pearl," repeat-

d the American. "You have the money to redeem it?" e was asked.

For answer the American counted ut the exact amount and placed it on the counter. The broker went to the safe and brought back the pearl that was pawned. He had cleverly tricked the trickster. He knew there was only one chance of getting his money back

Ships' Dogs Are Sea Heroes.

Many dogs have received decorations during the war-not from the government, of course, but from soldiers and sailors, according to a London disdefinite action," Brooks concluded, ris- patch in the European edition of the

A naval officer just returned from as much as my own. Of course, he the Mediterranean tells an interesting couldn't block a reorganization-but story of the pet on his ship. The dog, we want to satisfy him in every par- taken young, was rated as "puppy." ticular, and, at the same time, carry which it seems, in naval estimate, is out these plans. It's a big thing for all a pretty humble rating. However, the dog conducted himself like a gentleman and a scholar, the officer declares, and was in due time decorated with the insignia of A. B. dog.

He misbehaved on various occasions and failed to do his part in one or two brushes with submarines, so he was marched on the quarterdeck and solemnly remitted to "puppy." Ever since, the story goes, he has been striving to retrieve himself, but thus far he has

not recovered his rank. It is said that the dogs on the ships which fought at Jutland-and there were many of them-have all been decorated by their shipmates. The animals during the battle, it is asserted, played the part of real heroes without a cowardly hair upon one of

First Express Company.

ment, for his "express car" was en been a conductor on the railway, and charges. Harnden's first competitor was Alvin Adams, who became the founder of the Adams Express com-

Two Lines of Eligibility. Down in Johnson county is a flourishing farmer's club, and, as there is a membership limit, naturally there are a number of folks outside who

would like to be inside. Two of the outsiders were discuss. ng the club one day, and one of them asked: "How does a fellow go about getting into the thing?" The other farmer explained thus: "Well, so far as I have been able to dope it out, there are just two ways-you either have to be such a success as a farmdoggone fallure that it will be good advertising for them to take you and make something out of you."-Indianapolis News.

Patience-You look tired, dear. Patrice-I suppose so, I went out for a skate today and I couldn't find any place to sit down. "Why, do you mean to say there wasn't any ice?"

Good in All Things. "I've found one way to get some pleasure out of the strike," said a phil-

"Tell us," yelled the crowd. "Tm spending all the car fares I save for eights."

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